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Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 is a listing of documents known to Applicant in order to comply with Applicant's duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.56. Copies of the documents are also being submitted herewith to comply with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98.

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None of these documents are believed to impair the patentability of the presently claimed invention. Nevertheless, to complete the record, formal consideration and citation of these documents is requested.

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